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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the "final" Office Action mailed March 27, 2003 which set an initial response deadline of June 27, 2003. Two months after the mail date of the Action is today, May 27, 2003. This Reply is thus believed to be timely filed within two months after the mail date of the Action. Thus no extension of time is believed necessary.

Claims 1-30 are pending and have been rejected.

Applicants have carefully reviewed the Office Action and request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and discussion.